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1. AFTER PREVIOUS SEPARATE CONSULTATIONS WITH BOTH THE JAPANESE AND BRITISH AMBASSADORS, EACH OF WHO SAID HE WOULD BE MAKING A DEMARCHE ON THE SAME ISSUE TO THE GOES, I CALLED ON THE SUB-SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, RICARDO CASTANEDA, THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS AND PRESENT AN AIDE-MEMOIRE ON THE KOREA QUESTION AT THE 30TH UNGA. CASTANEDA IS THE SUBSTANTIVE OFFICE ON MATTERS SUCH AS THIS. THE SUB-SECRETARY SAID THAT FOREIGN MINISTER BORGONOVO WILL LEAVE FOR THE LIMA NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 24. CASTANEDA SAID THAT EH HAS DISCUSSED THE KIOREA MATTER WITH BORGONOVO. FROM HSIS RESUME OF THAT DISCUSSION, THE SUB-SECRETARY IS, IN MY OPINION, FULLY CONVERSANT WITH AND APPRECIATIVE OF THE ISSUES INVOLVED IN THE KOREAN QUESTION. IT WAS ALSO APPARENT FROM HIS DESCRIPTION THAT

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THE GOES IS SUBSTANTIVELY ON THE US SIDE OF THE ISSUE.

2. NOTWITHSTANDING ITS INCLINATION TO VOTE FOR THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, THE GOES FACES A SERIOUS DILEMMA AS IT APPROACHES THE LIMA MEETING AND POSSIBLE EFFORTS THERE TO SOLICIT ITS VOTE ON KOREA. THE GOES IS MAKING ITS FIRST APPEARANCE AS AN OFFICIAL OBSERVER AT A NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE. IT IS DOING SO PRINCIPALLY TO LOBBY VIGOROUSLY FOR THE CANDIDACY OF ITS MAN AQUINO AS FAO DIRECTOR. (SEE SAN SALVADOR 2204) THE GOES OBVIOUSLY DOES NOT WANT TO PREJUDICE THIS EFFORT BY ALIENATING NORTH KOREA'S FRIENDS. IT THEREFORE LOOKS FOR A SOLUTION THAT WILL ENABLE IT TO GET ITS MAN ELECTED IN NOVEMBER AS WELL AS SUPPORT OUR RESOLUTION ON KOREA AND VOTE AGAINST THE HOSTILE ONE AT THE UNGA. THE GOES IS THEREFORE HOPING THAT THE TIMING OF THE VARIOUS EVENTS WILL PERMIT IT TO ACHIEVE BOTH OBJECTIVES, I.E. THAT THE FAO ELECTION WILL PRECEDE UNGA ACTION ON KOREA.

3. AS TO THE SALVADOAN POSITION IN LIMA IN THE FACE OF POSSIBLE LOBBYING BY THE COSPONSORS OF THE HOSTILE RESOLUTION, CASTANEDA SAID HE WILL RECOMMEND THAT THE FOREIGN MINISTER ASSUME THE ROLE OF THE INNOCENT, FIRST-TIME PARTICIPANT IN SUCH AFFAIRS WHO

DOES NOT WANT TO COMMIT HIS VOTE WITHOUT FURTHER CONSIDERATION AND STUDY. HENCE, HE SHOULD ATTEMPT TO AVOID ANY COMMITMENT, ANY ALIGNMENT ON THIS QUESTION.

4. COMMENT: IT IS MY JUDGEMENT THAT THE FOLLOWING FACTORS COULD BE OF GREAT HELP IN OUR EFFORTS TO HELP ASSURE THAT THE GOES SUPPORTS OUR RESOLUTION AND OPPOSES THE HOSTILE ONE:(A) IF WE COULD LINE UP BOTH CO-SPONSORSHIP AND LOBBING EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION BY SEVERAL OF THE IMPORTANT LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS, I.E., BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, VENEZUELA AND MEXICO; (B) IF WE COULD DECIDE TO SUPPORT THE AQUINO CANDIDACY, AND COULD CONVEY THAT DECISION PRIVATELY TO THE GOES; (C) IF USUN COULD EFFECTIVELY LOBBY THE SALVADORAN REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS, AMBASSADOR GALINDO POHL, AND CONVINCE HIM TO ADVOCATE OF AN AFFIRMATIVE VOTE ON THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION (IN MY OPINION GALINDO POHL'S JUDGEMENT WILL WEIGHT HEAVILY IN THE ULTIMATE GOES DECISION). ANY OR ALL OF THESE COULD HELP THE GOES RESOLVE ITS PRESENT DILEMMA IN OUR FAVOR.

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